SRS Stored Material Surveillance Status

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Agenda

• Non-3013 Container Surveillances

• 3013 Inner Container Surveillances

Non-3013 Surveillances

- Various Techniques Utilized
 - Weight measurements
 - Can lid deflection
 - digital and film radiography
 - visual observations
 - filter tests
 - RADCON surveys
 - MC&A inspections

Can Deflection Tool



Non-3013 Surveillance Status

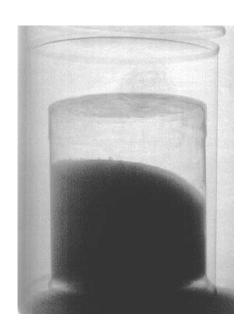
- Surveillances are tracked and compared to acceptance criteria
- Continue to be revised/updated as inventory or needs change
- All surveillances current and on-schedule
- Surveillances are meeting expectations

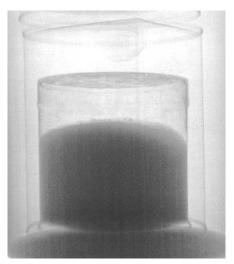
Lid Deflection Surveillance Status

- 5 cans of offsite PuO₂ repackaged in January because of inward lid deflection
- 3 cans of offsite PuO₂ scheduled for repackaging in November because of inward lid deflection
- 2 cans of offsite Pu material repackaged because of outward lid deflection (pressurization)

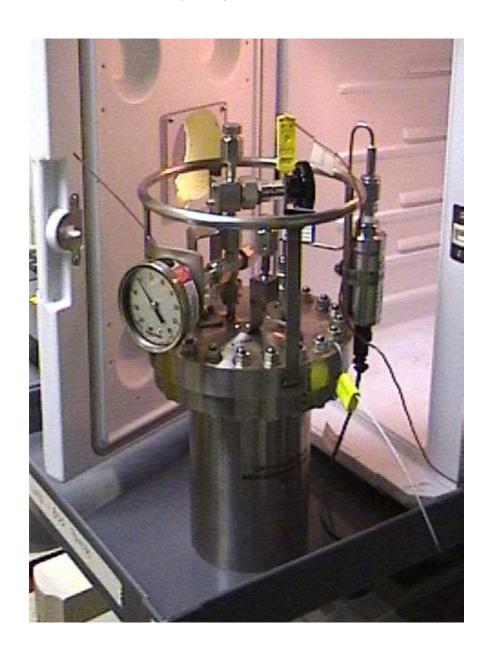
Repacking Pressurized Container 5228

- FG Pu/DU oxide from HUA-20
- Initially found in 1994 (lid deflection 0.023" above rim)
- Can sent to SRTC. Gas sample taken 15psi, 40% H₂, 6% O₂, 14% CO₂, 28% N₂
- Extensive testing done at SRTC. Cause PVC decomp.
- Repackaged at SRTC sent to FBL in 1995
- Found pressurized in Sept 2002
- Punctured and repackaged into filtered can configuration
- SRTC repackaging glovebox w/o dry air
- Currently undergoing bell jar testing



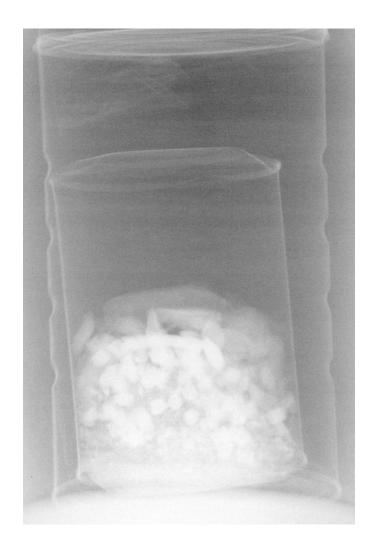


Bell Jar



Repacking Pressurized Container CZA96-179

- ANL-E WG Pu/EU/Fe alloy
- Material >20 mesh 45%Fe/33% Pu/13% EU pasivated alloy with minor amounts of Sn, Al, glass, C, Cl and O₂.
- Received in 1975
- Discovered bulged in Dec-01 via drum radiography
- No contamination upon drum opening
- Punctured and repacked into filtered can configuration
 - No pyrophoric activity
 - Cans in good condition
 - Net weight matched shippper
 - sample sent to SRTC



CZA96-179 Material Analysis

• SRTC analysis:

- No metal present
- FeCl₂, FeCl₃*2H₂0
- PuO₂ & (Pu,U)O₂ solid soln.
- 60% weight loss at 600C
- Avg Cl = 22%
- FeClx very hygroscopic
- Fe<45%

• Bell jar testing:

- 2 month test
- Gas generation at 0.025
 psi/day or 0.13 psi/day/kg Pu
- Gas sample after 1 month 6%H₂, 13% O₂, 77%N₂, 1.5%
 CO₂





CZA96-179A Sister Can

- Sister can to CZA96-179
- Material <20 mesh 45%Fe/33% Pu/13% EU pasivated alloy with minor amounts of Sn, Al, glass, C, Cl and O₂.
- 1 month bell jar test
 - Material in original packaging
 - Gas generation rate = 0.045 psi/day or 0.13 psi/day/kg Pu
 - Gas sample after 2 weeks $11\%H_2$, $7\% O_2$, $71\%N_2$, $7\% CO_2$
- Repackaged into filtered can configuration
 - Bag intact but black in color
 - Inner can significantly deteriorated (rusted)
 - Sample sent for lab analysis

3013 Inner Surveillance Status

- Currently only have Pu metal in bagless transfer cans (BTCs)
 - FBL buttons, Barter metal, Hanford buttons, RFETS classified metal
- Surveillances
 - weight measurements
 - lid deflection measurements
 - baseline, 6 month, 24 month, 5 years, every 5 years

Surveillance Specifics

- Weight measurements
 - Acceptance limit = 0.6g weight gain
 - Based on scale uncertainity
- Lid deflection measurements
 - Acceptance limit = 0.005" outward displacement
 - Based on 1/2 deflection at 100 psig

Surveillance Impactors

- 1999 Vault decontamination efforts
 - Removed and replaced burr covers on all BTCs
 - Weight impact of +/- 6 g
 - Removed TID seals from BTCs
 - deflection impact of up to -0.01"
 - Weight impact of up to -1.5g
 - Total surveillance impact
 - Additional weight uncertainty of +4.5/-7.5g
 - Addition lid measurement uncertainty of +0/-0.1"

Surveillance Results

Weight gain

- 1 container above limit (0.8g weight gain)
- RCO surveys show can is clean
- follow-up measurements planned
- Radiography to be done

Lid deflection

- 10 containers above limit
 - No trends in pressure
 - 8 are explainable
 - 2 need further investigation
- 76 containers with negative deflection
 - Range up to -0.03" deflection
 - No trends observed